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LABOUR FORCE IN INDIA
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the total labour force in terms of percentage engaged in agriculture, industry and service sectors in the country at present, separately;

(b) the minimum and maximum daily wages of the labour in each of the above sectors during 2000, separately; and

(c) the assessment made by the Government in regard to increase in the annual growth rate of low job opportunities in these sectors in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

a) The estimates of employment, unemployment and labour force are obtained through labour force survey conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation from time to time. The latestsurvey was conducted during 1999-2000. The percentage distribution of usually employed persons by industry division as per Usual Principal and Subsidiary Status (UPSS) approach is given as under.

Percentage distribution of usually employed persons by Industry division (UPSS)

Sector	Rural		Urban	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Agriculture	71.4	85.4	6.6	17.7
Manufacturing	7.3	7.6	22.4	24.0
Services	6.1	3.7	21.0	34.2

b & c) The information relating to minimum and maximum daily wages of the labour and about changes in low job opportunities, are not maintained. According to the provision of the Minimum Wages Act, 1948, minimum wages are only fixed in respect of scheduled employments.